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ITEM NO: WH-5

DATE: 11 OCTOBER 1974

SUBJECT: ISRAELIS PLEASED WITH PACE OF NEGOTIATIONS WITH EC

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THE EC IS NOT LETTING ITS RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL GO STALE AS IT PURSUE ITS "DIALOGUE" WITH ARAB COUNTRIES. ANOTHER ROUND OF THE TALKS LEADING TO A NEW TRADE AGREEMENT WITH TEL AVIV WAS COMPLETED ON OCTOBER 4, AND THE ISRAELIS ARE PLEASED WITH THE PROGRESS, ALTHOUGH THEY DO NOT EXPECT A FINAL AGREEMENT TO BE SIGNED BEFORE NEXT SPRING.

THE TIMING DEPENDS ON HOW THE EC'S NEGOTIATIONS GO WITH THE MAGHREB STATES AND SPAIN. ANOTHER UNCERTAINTY--THE EC RESPONSE TO THE ISRAELI REQUEST FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE--MAY DEPEND ON WHETHER THE COMMUNITY DECIDES TO GIVE SUCH AID TO EGYPT AND SYRIA.

ISRAEL AND THE EC ARE TAL-ING ABOUT A PREFERENTIAL TARDE

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AGREEMENT. ISRAEL WILL BE GIVEN A LONGER TIME THAN THE EC TO  
REDUCE TARIFFS ON INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTS AND WILL NOT GRANT TARIFF  
PREFERENCES IN THE FARM SECTOR. E-2 IMPDET.H

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